

St. Michael's Episcopal School

K-8 ART TEACHER POSITION (Full-Time)

St. Michael's Episcopal School seeks a qualified full-time K-8 art teacher for the 2024-2025 academic year. This is a ten-month position beginning in July.

The successful candidate will have...

- excellent verbal and written skills and ability to communicate with students, parents and colleagues;
- a minimum of 3 years experience teaching art;
- a bachelor's degree in art education, or fine arts. An advanced degree is preferred, though not required.
- knowledge of various art forms, techniques, and mediums as well as experience with art materials, tools, and equipment such as a kiln.

The position's primary responsibilities will be to:

- teach art to students in grade kindergarten to eighth grade;
- direct/coach school activities/clubs/sports as background provides, participate in school life through co-curricular activities;
- be available for multiple duties during carpools, morning break, and recess;
- oversee student art installations and shows.

The ideal candidate will have

- developed and implemented a comprehensive art curriculum that fosters creativity and self-expression
 and creates an environment where students feel empowered to explore their artistic abilities and express
 themselves freely;
- used a variety of instructional strategies and assessment methods to meet the cognitive and affective needs of all students;
- delivered age-appropriate art lessons and activities that cater to the diverse needs and learning styles of students in grades K-8;
- integrated various art forms, techniques, and mediums into the curriculum, including but not limited to drawing, painting, sculpture, ceramics, and mixed media;
- encouraged active engagement through interactive lessons, discussions, and projects, enabling students to connect art knowledge to issues and develop a well-rounded perspective of the world;
- continued to be informed about current trends, developments, and best practices in art education and incorporated new ideas and techniques into teaching practice;
- incorporated technology to enhance learning experiences and promote digital literacy in the arts;
- collaborated with colleagues on a consistent basis to integrate art across the curriculum and support interdisciplinary learning experiences;
- organized and participated in art exhibitions, showcases, and other events to celebrate students' achievements and foster a sense of community;
- demonstrated kindness, enthusiasm, a sense of humor, investment in continued learning and professional growth, and a passion for supporting children as they grow and learn;
- worked actively to cultivate an inclusive environment and support a school community grounded in empathy, social responsibility, and an appreciation and respect for individual differences;
- employed effective classroom management skills;

- provided constructive feedback and encouragement to students to help them develop their skills and confidence;
- maintained accurate and timely documentation of grades, behavior, academic concerns, and parent communication.

Our Mission: St. Michael's Episcopal School nurtures the spirit, ignites the mind, and celebrates childhood in a community of love, affirmation, and belonging that fosters educational excellence. St M also actively instills the values of kindness, respect, acceptance, integrity, responsibility, resilience, and compassion. Located on a unique 70-acre campus, the K-8 co-educational community is small enough (400 students and 60+ faculty-staff) for everyone to know one another, and large enough to provide rich curricular and co-curricular opportunities. Its student-teacher ratio is 10:1, and the average class size is 18 to 19 students. Students hail from 27 different zip codes. Founded in 1957, St. Michael's is accredited by the Virginia Association of Independent Schools (VAIS) and a member of the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS). St. Michael's values diversity as an important element of serving its mission and thus considers applicants for all positions without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, age, marital or veteran status, disability, or any other legally protected status.

Candidates should forward a cover letter, resume, and educational philosophy to employment@stmschool.net.